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Selectmen's Minutes 01-06-2007

TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes
 Saturday, January 6, 2007
 9:00 a.m.

Present: Mr. Greeley, Chair, Ms. LaCourt, Vice Chair, Mr. Hurd, Mrs. Mahon, and Ms. Rowe.
 Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Mrs. Galkowski, Mrs. Krepelka and Mrs. Sullivan.

After much discussion regarding each Selectmen's original goal document, the Board of Selectmen embraced unanimously the below collaborative goals document. Each Selectmen has one assigned goal to review the action plans listed beneath the goal and is to send email back to Marie Krepelka with comments for the January 22, 2007 meeting.

Board of Selectmen Goals

- 1) **Bicentennial All members**
 - a) Actively participate in and promote events
- 2) **Long range financial /strategic planning process culminating in 5 year plan for FY 2011 and beyond Annie**
 - a) Investigate Regionalization
 - b) Water/sewer debt shift
 - c) Develop an IT strategy including hiring a Chief Technology Officer
 - d) Investigate Privatization
 - e) Engage employees in process of identifying cost saving measures
 - f) Prioritize services
 - g) Discuss interest-based bargaining
 - h) Develop communication plan of financial circumstances
 - i) Participate in legislative efforts to secure more predictable local aid
 - j) Work cooperatively with Representatives and Senator
 - ii) Network with elected officials from surrounding and/or alike communities
 - j) GASB 45
 - i) Set aside for retiree contribution from health insurance
 - ii) Medicare Part D appropriation
 - k) Explore any and all revenue enhancements available
 - l) Summit Meeting participation by Board of Selectmen members
- 3) **Develop strategy for addressing capital development and maintenance needs: Diane**
 - a) Schools
 - b) Fire Stations
 - c) Rink
 - d) Public Safety building
 - e) Cemetery
 - f) Graffiti
 - g) Parks/playgrounds

4) Develop a long range planning, land use, and zoning policy which addresses Business Development and Tourism Clarissa

- a) Develop strategy and funding options with Legislators to address environmental issues in/ around Alewife Reservation including but not limited to Mugar, CSO and Route 2 study
- b) Encourage sustainable practices, including recycling
- c) Continue to monitor Symmes site development along with ARB
- d) Joint meetings with the Redevelopment Board on a more regular basis
- e) Open Space plan grant - public input process

5) Transportation Issues- develop overall policy for town and solicit funding sources if necessary Jack

- a) Massachusetts Avenue project
- b) Parking Issues

6) Communications Kevin

- a) Improving customer relations and communications with citizens and employees
 - i) Complaint tracking system
 - ii) Town wide customer service policy
- (1) Employee training and measurement around customer service policy
- b) Selectmen's Handbook
 - i) Selectmen Code of Conduct
 - ii) Investigate meeting dates
- c) Develop an IT strategy
- d) Develop employee and citizen recognition program
- e) Develop communication plan for Emergency Preparedness Plan
- f) Develop communication plan of financial strategy

Mrs. Mahon moved to approve the six goals with work to still be done on the action items.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 10:45 a.m.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A True Record: Attest:

Marie A. Krepelka
Board Administrator